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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**ON**  
**OVERSIGHT**

Thursday, October 26, 2017                      9:00 a.m.                      Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Oversight was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Graves, Howrylak, Iden, Johnson, Hertel, Chirkun  
Absent/Excused: None

Representative Johnson moved to adopt the minutes of October 5, 2017. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5165, HB 5166, HB 5167, HB 5168, HB 5169, HB 5170, HB 5171, and HB 5172 before the committee:

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| HB 5165 (Graves)     | Employment security; other; protection for employers and affected individuals with regard to identity theft; provide for. |
| HB 5166 (Hertel)     | Employment security; sanctions; fraud penalties; modify.  |
| HB 5167 (Byrd)       | Employment security; other; claimants and employers accused of fraud; allow access to advocacy assistance services.       |
| HB 5168 (Farrington) | Employment security; other; claimants to provide certain identification when applying for benefits; require.              |
| HB 5169 (LaFave)     | Employment security; other; unpaid restitution of benefit overpayments; modify accrual of interest.                       |
| HB 5170 (Bellino)    | Employment security; administration; employer pattern of failing to respond to agency requests for information; modify.   |
| HB 5171 (Phelps)     | Employment security; other; eligibility for hardship waivers; modify.   |
| HB 5172 (Howrylak)   | Employment security; other; provisions related to reconsiderations of determinations; modify.                             |

The Chair laid the committee at ease at 9:08 a.m.

Vice-Chair Howrylak reconvened the committee at 9:09 a.m.

Chair Graves and Representative Hertel testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Vice-Chair Howrylak laid the committee at ease at 9:22 a.m.

Chairman Graves reconvened the committee at 9:23 a.m.

Stephanie Glidden, representing the AFL-CIO, Professor Samir Hanna, Clinical Fellow at the University of Michigan Law School Unemployment Insurance Clinic and University of Michigan Law Students, Rita Samaan, and Sean Higgins, all testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Delaney McKinley, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association, Wendy Block, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, and Neil MacVicar, representing the Michigan Health and Hospital Association, testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Michelle Beebe, representing the Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency, submitted a card in support, in concept of the bills but did not wish to speak.

The following people submitted cards in support of the bills but did not wish to speak:

Jean Doss, representing the Michigan Poverty Law Program.  
Andy Johnston, representing the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce.  
Tony Stamas, representing the Small Business Association of Michigan.  
Stephanie Glidden, representing the UAW.  
Rachel Richards, representing the Michigan League for Public Policy.  
Robert O'Meara, representing the Michigan Restaurant Association.  
Amanda Fisher, representing the National Federation of Independent Business.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

**Representative Joseph Graves, Chair** \_\_\_\_\_  
Ian Mays, Committee Clerk  
House Oversight Committee